

Promises of God

22. Mercy



Matthew 5:7 "Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy."

Meaning: One of the attributes of God mentioned again and again in scripture is that He is merciful. Mercy is shown when we show compassion and kindness. It is because of God's "mercy that he saved us" (Titus 3:5). Our text is one of the beatitudes spoken by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. Blessed, fortunate, and happy are those who are compassionate because they too shall receive mercy.

Application: Mercy is promised to all, that is why undeserving mankind can have their sins forgiven and can have a home in Heaven. However, God specifically promises mercy to the following people: Those who keep His testimonies (Psalm 25:10), those who trust Him (Psalm 32:10), those who call upon Him (Psalm 86:5), those who fear Him (Psalm 103:11, 17), and those who confess and forsake their sin (Proverbs 28:13). The mercy of God is His not giving us what we deserve.

Other Verses for Study: II Samuel 22:26; Psalm 18:25; 23:6; 94:18; 100:5; 116:5; 117:2; 118:1; 130:7; 147:11; Hebrews 4:16; James 5:11

1. Mercy is to show _____ and _____.

2. Name one person to whom God will show mercy.

3. The mercy of God is Him not giving us what?

"Mercy never began to be, but from eternity was; so it will never cease to be."